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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Pierre JEANVOINE, et al.

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FOR: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR MELTING AND REFINING MATERIALS CAPABLE OF BEING VITRIFIED



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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- ☒ Additional documents filed herewith: Copy of initialed form PTO-1449, filed May 27, 2004

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CLAIMS	CLAIMS REMAINING		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID	NO. EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	CALCULATIONS
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INDEPENDENT	7	MINUS	8	0	x \$88 =	\$0.00
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		TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS				\$0.00
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AMENDMENT

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Responsive to the Office Action dated September 3, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application, in view of the following amendment and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Discussion of the Amendment** begins on page 16 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 17 of this paper.